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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : LUTZ HEUER ET AL.

SERIAL NO. : 08/888,609

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FOR : MICROBICIDAL COMPOSITIONS

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Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 14, 1997, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel all of the claims in the application and substitute:

--12. A method of protecting wood against wood-destroying fungi or wood-discoloring fungi, said method comprising applying to said wood an amount of a compound that is effective to protect said wood against said wood-destroying fungi or said wood-discoloring fungi, said compound being a compound of the